

BERGER, Friedrich

TO: JPD

Subject: Friedrich Matthias BERGER alias Franz von SARTORIUS.

Attached is a copy an interrogation report of Friedrich BERGER aka von SARTORIUS. Despite the difference in birthdates and place of birth I believe them to be identical. His birthdate is given as 20 March 1907 at AACHEN and the cable gives it as 20 March 1911, Schoenfeld.

Also attached are extracts made from many Archives documents, most of which refer to the attached interrogation report.

RI Index has a microfilmed CIC card: Case # 66558, Friedrich BERGER, born 20 March 1911 in Schonfeld, German. W.C. Requested by the French government for extradition of subject.

Another card states that a Friedrich BERGER, German, dismissed by HQ USAFE on 27 March 1946 for inefficiency.

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P.S.: If this is turned over to DA, I have all the trace material on my desk which they can have.

The FBI has requested copies of the following interrogation reports which deal with the ROTE KAPELLE case Friedrich BERGER w/a SARTORIUS. 3 July 46

25 May 1942. Personnel of Translation and Editorial Section: Memo to Col. J.V. Grombach from J. Van Item: Frederick SARTORIUS, speaks German, French, Spanish, Swiss-German.

6 June 45. Monthly Security Report 25-April 1945: ROTE KAPELLE, an agency of the Sicherheitsdienst with functions of checking on the Abwehr in Holland, France and Belgium, was identified by the capture of VON SARTORIUS, Friedrich in Milan. Interrogation of subject revealed info on the Werewolf movement, SD and SS groups.

11 May 1945. Transfer of enemy agents to 200/MU/CSDIC, Florence. Member of the GIS - Rote Kapelle of the SD, VON SARTORIUS, Friedrich Franz M. born 20 March 1907 at AACHEN, Germany (Civilian)

1945: Fredrick von SARTORIUS, SD Rote Kapelle, arrested 9 May 45. Recommended disposition: CSDIC

18.7.45: V.E. Capt. Perring: Our view of the SARTORIUS report of July 5th is that he is most unreliable -- he is a torturer rather than an intelligence officer and is probably exaggerating the possible continued dangers from PANNWITZ in order to distract attention from his own crimes. ( From Dr. LENTZ, War Room folder)